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Government, at this stage, to make any representations. So, we said, 'Let all the facts be known and then if necessary on the basis of proposals from hon. Members or any other facts and figures known to us which have not been brought to the notice of the Delimitation Commission, we would make proper representations.' But I may assure the hon. Members that the Government are not interested in interfering with the demarcation of constituencies. Delimitation of constituencies is intended to be made purely on the basis of population and no interference will be allowed on the part of anybody.

" Sir, I do not think I need answer any other point. I know many other points were raised on the floor of this House and even though they were not pertinent to the Supplementary Demands, proper notice will be taken of all those points and if any action is necessary after due consideration, it will be taken.

" Thank you, Sir."

DEPUTY SPEAKER :—" The House will now adjourn and meet again at 8 p.m. to-day."

The House then adjourned.

Night sitting – 8 p.m.

The House re-assembled at 8 p.m., Mr. Speaker (THE HON. SRI J. SIVASHANMUGAM PILLAI) in the Chair.

VIII.—GOVERNMENT MOTIONS.

(1) AMENDMENT TO SCHEDULE V TO THE MADRAS CITY MUNICIPAL ACT, 1919.

* THE HON. SRI K. RAJARAM :—" Mr. Speaker, under rule 15 in Schedule V to the Madras City Municipal Act, 1919, the Commissioner, Corporation of Madras, is prohibited from overdrawing from the authorized bankers of the Corporation. In recent years, the Corporation of Madras was permitted to divert temporarily its earmarked funds such as unspent loan balances, deposit funds, etc., to meet ordinary expenditure during the lean months of the year. It has been represented that it is not possible for the Corporation to manage with such temporary diversions from earmarked funds, as sufficient balances are not always available in these funds, and that the only alternative is to obtain temporary advances from its authorized bankers. The need for such temporary accommodation for the Corporation from its bankers has been recognized by the Local Finance Enquiry Committee. The Corporation has accordingly been permitted to obtain ways and means advances from its bankers subject to the condition that such advances are completely repaid at the end of each financial year. It has, therefore, become necessary to delete rule 15 in Schedule V to the Madras City Municipal Act, 1919, by an appropriate amendment of that Schedule. A draft of the proposed rule was duly

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published in the *Fort St. George Gazette* for general information, and communicated to the Corporation of Madras for its opinion. The Corporation of Madras has agreed to the proposed amendment. I accordingly move the following motion :—

'That the following draft of a rule proposed to be made by the Governor of Madras in exercise of the powers conferred by section 347 *of the Madras City Municipal Act,* 1919 *(Madras Act IV of* 1919), *altering Schedule V to that Act, be approved* :—

DRAFT RULE.

Rule 15 *of the said Schedule shall be omitted.'* "

MR. SPEAKER :—" The question is—

' That the following draft of a rule proposed to be made by the Governor of Madras in exercise of the powers conferred by section 347 of the Madras City Municipal Act, 1919 (Madras Act IV of 1919), altering Schedule V to that Act, be approved :—

DRAFT RULE.

Rule 15 of the said Schedule shall be omitted.' "

The motion was put and carried.

(2) AMENDMENT OF SCHEDULE TO THE MADRAS MOTOR VEHICLES (TAXATION OF PASSENGERS AND GOODS) ACT, 1952 (MADRAS ACT XVI OF 1952).

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" I beg to move—

' That the following draft of a rule proposed to be made by the Government of Madras under section 4 (2) *of the Madras Motor Vehicles (Taxation of Passengers and Goods) Act,* 1952 *(Madras Act XVI of* 1952), *amending the schedule to the said Act, be approved* :—

DRAFT RULE.

In the said schedule, for sub-rule (3) *of rule* 1, *the following sub-rule shall be substituted, namely* :—

" (3) *For the quarters ending with the* 31st *December* 1953 *and the* 31st *March* 1954, *the amount of the composition fee calculated with reference to clause* (a) *or clause* (b) *of sub-rule* (1) *in respect of stage carriages and public carrier vehicles, which until the* 30th *September* 1953, *were plying on routes which have become inter-State routes as a result of the formation of the Andhra State with effect from the* 1st *October* 1953, *shall be payable at the same rates at which and at the same places where it was being paid for the quarter ending with the* 30th *September* 1953." ' "